

Capitol Security

Capitol Security consists of State Troopers assigned to Capitol Detail and the Capitol Police. Together, they are responsible for the external and internal security of the State Capitol, Legislative Plaza, War Memorial Building, and Department of Safety Headquarters. These services are also provided for other state owned or leased property within the Capitol Hill complex area and other areas throughout Davidson County.

Responsibilities include protection of:

- State legislators
- Legislative staff
- Other governmental officials
- Visiting dignitaries
- State employees
- Citizens visiting or conducting business on state property

Other duties include:

- Enforcing parking regulations
- Investigating crashes
- Conducting investigations of reported criminal activities
- Conducting physical checks of state owned/leased buildings
- Conducting surveillance activities to spot incidences of criminal activity
- Providing bank escorts for state office staff

Capitol Security Activity	
FY 2004-2005	
Larceny	20
Burglary - Building	3
Burglary - Auto	10
Auto Theft	1
Robbery	1
Vandalism	27
Other Investigations	17
Arrests	4
Armed Bank Escorts	884
Vehicles Towed	102
Warning Citations Issued	300
Parking Citations Issued	110
Safety Training Hours Completed	2,160
Traffic Crashes Worked	30
Court Time Hours	46

2004–2005 Accomplishments and Highlights

- During 2004, the transition began for integrating the Capitol Police Division into the Tennessee Highway Patrol. One reason for this transition was to strengthen our homeland security for our governor and State Capitol after recent events in the United States and other countries. Capitol Security is the successful result of this merger. Troopers and police officers work together as a team to accomplish the duties and responsibilities of this very important job.
- Also as part of Homeland Security, a room in the Capitol Police office suite has been converted into a security center. It contains the monitors for most of the security cameras for state buildings and property. Eventually it will become the security center for all current state monitors, and for cameras installed in the future. The new security center is already being manned 24/7.